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BRIAN B.,

v.

ANDREW M. SAUL, COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SECURITY,

Defendant.

No. 4:20-CV-5166-JTR

ORDER GRANTING STIPULATED MOTION FOR REMAND PURSUANT TO SENTENCE FOUR OF 42 U.S.C. § 405(g)

BEFORE THE COURT is the parties' stipulated motion to remand the above-captioned matter to the Commissioner for additional administrative proceedings pursuant to sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g). ECF No. 18. Attorney D. James Tree represents Plaintiff; Special Assistant United States Attorney Alexis L. Toma represents Defendant. The parties have consented to proceed before a magistrate judge. ECF No. 6. After considering the file and proposed order, **IT IS ORDERED:**

1. The parties' Stipulated Motion for Remand, **ECF No. 18**, is **GRANTED**. The above-captioned case is **REVERSED** and **REMANDED** to the Commissioner of Social Security for further administrative action pursuant to sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g).

On remand, the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) shall offer Plaintiff the opportunity for a new hearing and issue a new decision. The ALJ is further directed to: (1) reevaluate Plaintiff's impairments; (2) obtain evidence from a

psychological or psychiatric expert to clarify the nature, severity, and effects of Plaintiff's mental impairments; (3) reevaluate the medical evidence in the record; (4) reevaluate Plaintiff's alleged symptoms; (5) reevaluate Plaintiff's maximum residual functional capacity; (6) if warranted by the expanded record, obtain supplemental vocational expert evidence to clarify the effect of the assessed limitations on Plaintiff's ability to perform other work in the national economy; and (7) take any further action needed to complete the administrative record.

- 2. Judgment shall be entered for PLAINTIFF.
- 3. Plaintiff's Motion for Summary Judgment, **ECF No. 16**, is **STRICKEN AS MOOT**.
- 4. An application for attorney fees and costs may be filed by separate motion.

The District Court Executive is directed to enter this Order, forward copies to counsel, and **CLOSE THE FILE**.

DATED May 6, 2021.



JOHN T. RODGERS UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE